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The next legit P5 operation?

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

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MEETING NOTICE:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2015

JOIN US AT THE SIZZLER, 3755 Murphy Canyon Road,
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Greetings all, I hope that everyone has been enjoying the current batch of DXpeditions. No matter what the band conditions may be there always seems to be good DX paths available when you get quality stations in remote areas, funny how that works.

Currently VK9WA (Willis Is) and S79C (Seychelles Is) are on the bands and many of you are working them as ATNOs or just filling some bands spots -- good luck to all.

Speaking of DXpeditions, it is nice to see that our donations don't go unnoticed.

The following is from the President of the NCDXF and is worth sharing -- please note what I have highlighted.

"Dear Officers and Directors of the San Diego DX Club,

I'm reviewing the list of October contributions to NCDXF. That list includes your generous contribution of \$1000.

NCDXF values every contribution no matter what the size. But we recognize that large contributions from people like you, people who understand the economics of DXpeditioning and who act as pillars of support to the community, really make a huge difference.

The Foundation could not possibly provide necessary financial support for well-organized DXpeditions to rare, difficult and expensive entities without your continuing help. Please know how grateful we are and how important you are to us.

Five of the ClubLog top ten most-wanted entities will be activated during the next six months by NCDXF-sponsored DXpeditions. We granted a total of \$145,000 to those activities. I trust you will enjoy them.

Thank you for your continuing and strong support.

With warmest regards,

--Tom Berson, ND2T

President, NCDXF"

AND, speaking of band predictions I found this on the HF Link website -- some good reading. Note that even during the low point in the solar cycle there will still be much to find on the bands, and then there are the low bands, and VHF/UHF, EME anyone?

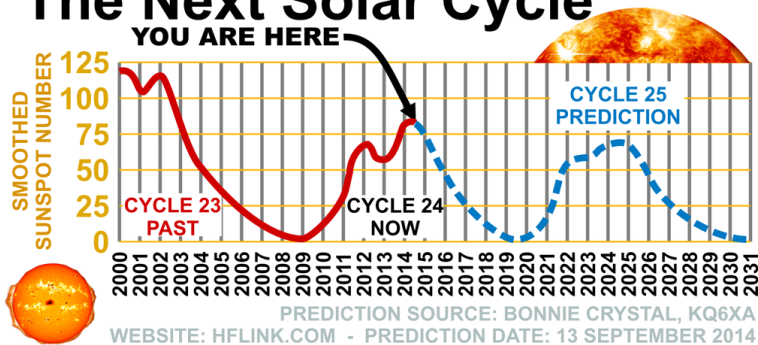
A Word from the Prez (cont'd) . .

**"Solar Cycle Peaking Now,
Next Cycle Starts in 5 Years With
Less Sunspots**

Solar Cycle 24 In Its Last Big Peak Right Now

2015 - The present solar cycle is in its second and strongest peak right now. The present levels of moderately high solar activity with occasional solar flares are expected to continue through 2015 and then subside dramatically over the next 4 years. Then we should see the solar minimum for 3 years. An upswing of the next solar maximum, Cycle 25, is predicted to peak between year 2022 and 2025, but be somewhat less potent than our present cycle. The following chart shows our present position in the cycles.

The Next Solar Cycle



(Prediction Source: Bonnie Crystal KQ6XA, HFLINK)"

I hope to see everyone at the meeting next week 11-25-15 for the TX3X presentation and also at the Holiday party 12-6-15.

Best Holiday wishes and good DX, John NA6L

John, NA6L

Secretary/Treasurer Reports

Ellen, N6UWW



The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by John, NA6L, at the Sizzler Restaurant. Since the speaker had a flight to catch back to Northern California, the program preceded the roundtable. Bob - W6ACU was welcomed as a new member. Howard – W6HDG was thanked again for the great programs.

Visitors – John K6MM

Old Business – none.

New Business – The Holiday Party is 12/6. A motion was made & passed which would require Club members & their guests to pay \$13.50/person and the Club will pay \$13.50 for each person attending. Attendees will buy their own beverages.

John – NA6L reviewed the Purpose & the Mission Statement of the Club and asked members to ponder how we as a Club are doing to satisfy those two portions of our Constitution & By-Laws.

It's not too early to start thinking about Visalia. Our Club is responsible for staffing the Registration.

Please remember to put December 6 (lunch) on your calendar for the annual Holiday Party. SDDXC Vice-President Howard, W6HDG, has already begun collecting door prizes.

Treasurer's Report

Statement Balance 10/30/2015 \$5269.55

Ellen, N6UWW

IOTA BASH 2016 ---> The 12th annual IOTA Bash will be held on 26-27 February in Boerne, Texas. For further information, please contact Mike Crownover, AB5EB (ab5ebdxer[[@](mailto:ab5ebdxer@gmail.com)]gmail.com) or visit the IREF website (www.islandradio.org). [TNX AB5EB]

THE SDDXC TOP 10 (EXPANDED VERSION)

By John, K6AM

CURRENT COUNTRIES CONFIRMED ON CW

11/15	11/14	CALL	C-D	CFM	WKD	CHG	11/15	11/14	CALL	C-D	CFM	WKD	CHG
1.	3.	W6YA	339	378	378	+1	11.	11.	NN6K	331	334	334	-
2.	1.	N6CW	339	366	366	-	12.	12.	K0XB	327	336	338	+1
3.	2.	K6AM	339	348	348	-	13.	13.	W6YI	323	329	336	+3
4.	4.	K9RHY	339	349	349	-	14.	14.	WN6K	318	328	337	+5
5.	5.	K6GAK	337	357	357	-	15.	15.	N6VS	301	304	310	+8
6.	6.	N0RR	337	351	351	-	16.	16.	WB6BFG	297	299	302	+11
7.	7.	K6XT	336	348	348	-	17..	17.	W6VNR	283	295	298	-
8.	8.	N7CW	336	336	336	-	18.	18.	AD6ZJ	274	276	283	-
9.	9.	K6ZH	333	344	345	-	19.	20.	NA6L	268	268	286	+20
10.	10.	W6YOO	331	337	337	-	20.	19.	N6MUF	258	263	268	-

We've expanded the CW Top 10 to include the top 20 players. At the top of the leader board Jim, W6YA finally found that missing card that fell back behind the chest of drawers to jump two places into first place. Down in the second ten there's plenty of action. John, NA6L makes the biggest jump with 20 new ones followed by Wild Bill, WB6BFG checking in with 11. Since no one in the Club ever worked P5 on CW, the number to hit on CW now stands at 339.

Each month, we will publish a top ten list for one of the lesser-recognized but hard won categories. Coming up next, 10/40M and 80/20M. Please send me your totals for each band and mode throughout the year and you will be listed in coming months. Use the convenient form at <http://www.sddxc.org> or bring 'em to the meeting.

John, K6AM

2015 ARRL DX SSB CONTEST SDDXC RESULTS

CLASS	CALL	SCORE	QSO'S	MLTS	FINISH
MS HP	PJ2T (K6AM, W0CG, WE9V)	9,413,820	8,971	351	#1 World
SO HP	K6NA	690,552	835	276	#1 SW Div, #2 W6
SO LP	WN6K	626,652	1,027	206	#1 SW Div, #1 W6
SO LP	W6JBR	31,356	136	78	#4 SDG, #15 SW Div, #15 W6
SA HP	N5ZO	211,578	397	179	#1 SDG, #13 SW Div, #5 W6
SA HP	N6NC	42,780	161	92	#2 SDG

From the Editor

Bob, K9RHY



As the DPRK last entity I need, I am constantly on the prowl for any tidbit mentioning a P5 operation. Following is an October 29 update on the planned 3Z9DX/P5 operation (from "DX-World.net").

UPDATE – Dom 3Z9DX updates that he's returned from the SP7GXP antenna factory where he and Waldek did final adjustments on the GP7 vertical Dom will use in P5, North Korea. Delivery of equipment happens in December, as does final meeting with officials, with the radio activity in January or February 2016.



May 9, 2015 – Last few months 3Z9DX has received many emails asking about the possibility of an additional operator (CW) going with him to P5. To be clear, it's Dom's dream for a CW op to join, but at this moment only SSB will be used. Currently, there is no negotiations or ongoing dialogue about CW. Please understand this is the first step to opening doors for future P5 expeditions and it's not helpful to "complain" about type of mode, antenna choice or how much power will be used since it's military personnel and local administration who make these restrictions. Please, no more requests about CW. In addition, a website will not be available until the final meeting with the telecoms department in December. The next Press Release will also be issued in December upon his return from North Korea.

—PRESS RELEASE #1—

On February 28th, DX-World.net [broke the news](#) that Dom 3Z9DX had written permission to operate amateur radio from a VERY wanted DXCC entity.

Today, we can reveal that entity is North Korea (P5).

Dom 3Z9DX explains he has received a further letter from authorities in Pyongyang inviting him to a final meeting to discuss [and for he to accept] rules by the North Korean military and the relevant telecommunications department.

This meeting will take place in December with activity planned for January or February 2016.

According to P5 telecoms, Dom will be permitted only three bands (20-15-10) likely using a multiband vertical from a secured place in Pyongyang with two government supervisors over-looking 24/7.

Activity will last for 5 days.

At the moment this is a solo expedition to the #1 Most wanted entity using SSB only. He is working hard behind the scenes to get one more op (CW) to possibly join him.

Please realise this project is a work in progress and to understand that it may only be Dom who operates from North Korea.

More updates / website throughout 2015.

SDDXC RESULTS 2015 ARRL DX CW CONTEST

CLASS	CALL	SCORE	QSO'S	MLTS	Finish
MS HP	ZF1A (ops K6AM, N6MJ, N5DX)	7,408,452	6,939	358	ALL TIME WORLD RECORD
MS HP	NX6T (N6CY, KB7V, K4RB, ops)	1,622,130	1,403	389	#3 SW Div, #2 W6
SO LP	WN6K	609,894	1,119	186	#2 SW Div, #2 W6
SO LP	W6JBR	75,864	241	109	#3 SDG
SO 15	W6YA	508,482	1,383	123	#1 W6, #1 SW div, #6 US/VE
SO 15	N7CW	391,152	1,133	116	#1 W7, #2 SW div, #10 US/VE
SA HP	N6NC	196,542	370	183	#3 SDG
SO 10	K6AR	73,566	414	61	#1 W6, #2 SW div, #6 US/VE
SO HP	K6NA	1,326	26	17	Had fun

San Diego DX Club 2015 Annual Holiday Party

Sunday December 6th, 2015

12 Noon – 3:00pm

(Meet & greet at 12pm, with meal service at 1pm)

Fiddlers Green Restaurant - Up Stairs

2760 Shelter Island Drive San Diego, CA 92106

<http://goo.gl/maps/KZhS0>

<http://fiddlersgreensandiego.com/>

Club members and a guest are invited to join us for our traditional San Diego DX Club 2015 Annual Holiday Party. We will once again hold the party at Fiddlers Green Restaurant. If you attended last year, you know that we reserved the entire restaurant, the food was great and they treated us really well. Please MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

We will once again have exclusive use of the entire restaurant for the members of our club: Quality food, PA system, great acoustics (one of the few restaurants where you can talk comfortably in a normal voice), plenty of free parking and, of course, a gift and prize drawing! The door prize drawing will blow you away this year!

The meal and beverage cost is \$27 per person but the club has graciously offered to pay ½ of the cost per person at \$13.50 each so every attendee only has to contribute \$13.50 each. Come prepared with cash or credit card to cover \$13.50 per person plus any alcohol or special orders. Fiddlers Green will bill you directly at the table for your share rather than you having to write a check to the club this year.

There will be an optional gift exchange also, so bring something < \$10 per person in order to join in on the fun.

MENU CHOICES

1: Grilled Steak Kabob with Peppers Mushrooms and Onions, served with Fresh Garden Vegetables and Mashed Potatoes.

2: Grilled Fresh Salmon served with Fresh Garden Vegetables and Rice Pilaf.

3: Grilled Hawaiian Chicken Breast served with Fresh Garden Vegetables and Rice Pilaf.

All entrées served with your choice of Caesar Salad or Cup of New England Style Clam Chowder (please chose in your RSVP) and Sour Dough Rolls.

DESSERT

Brownie Sundae with Whipped cream and Nuts

BEVERAGES:

Ice Tea, Coffee, Water and Soft Drinks

No Host Beer Wine and Cocktails available

RSVP is required (need number of guests and menu/salad-soup choice for each). Please email Howard Groveman, Club VP at W6HDG@arrl.net. RSVP's due by December 1, 2015.



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